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Applicant: Stidl et al. Group Art Unit: 2437 Serial No.: 10/541,881 Examiner: Pearson, David J Filed: July 7, 2005 Confirmation No.: 6245 For: CIRCUIT ARRANGEMENT AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS AGAINST ILLICIT MANIPULATION Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND PROPOSED AMENDMENT Sir: In response to the Final Office action mailed September 8, 2009, please find the following: Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8 I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

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